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March 7, 2019

Ms. Jami Westervelt, Finance Director  
City of Gustine  
P.O. Box 16  
Gustine, CA 95322

Dear Ms. Westervelt:

Subject: 2019-20 Annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule

Pursuant to Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 34177 (o) (1), the City of Gustine Successor Agency (Agency) submitted an annual Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule for the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020 (ROPS 19-20) to the California Department of Finance (Finance) on January 31, 2019. Finance has completed its review of the ROPS 19-20.

Based on a sample of line items reviewed and application of the law, Finance is approving all of the items listed on the ROPS 19-20 at this time.

Pursuant to HSC section 34186, successor agencies are required to report differences between actual payments and past estimated obligations. Reported differences in Redevelopment Property Tax Trust Fund (RPTTF) are used to offset current RPTTF distributions. The County Auditor-Controller's review of the prior period adjustment form submitted by the Agency resulted in no prior period adjustment.

The Agency's maximum approved RPTTF distribution for the reporting period is \$91,272 as summarized in the Approved RPTTF Distribution table on Page 3 (see Attachment).

RPTTF distributions occur biannually, one distribution for the July 1 through December 31 period (ROPS A period), and one distribution for the January 1 through June 30 period (ROPS B period) based on Finance approved amounts. Since this determination is for the entire ROPS 19-20 period, the Agency is authorized to receive up to the maximum approved RPTTF through the combined ROPS A and B period distributions.

Absent a Meet and Confer, this is our final determination regarding the obligations listed on the ROPS 19-20. This determination only applies to items when funding was requested for the 12-month period. If a denial by Finance in a previous ROPS is currently the subject of litigation, the item will continue to be denied until the matter is resolved.

The ROPS 19-20 form submitted by the Agency and this determination letter will be posted on our website:

<http://dof.ca.gov/Programs/Redevelopment/ROPS/>

This determination is effective for the ROPS 19-20 period only and should not be conclusively relied upon for future ROPS periods. All items listed on a future ROPS are subject to review and may be denied even if not denied on this ROPS or a preceding ROPS. The only exception is for items that have received a Final and Conclusive determination from Finance pursuant to HSC section 34177.5 (i). Finance's review of Final and Conclusive items is limited to confirming the scheduled payments as required by the obligation.

The amount available from RPTTF is the same as the amount of property tax increment available prior to the enactment of redevelopment dissolution law. Therefore, as a practical matter, the ability to fund the items on the ROPS with property tax increment is limited to the amount of funding available to the Agency in RPTTF.

Please direct inquiries to Cindie Lor, Supervisor, or Mathew Rios, Lead Analyst, at (916) 322-2985.

Sincerely,



JENNIFER WHITAKER  
Program Budget Manager

cc: Mr. Steve Wright, Interim City Manager, City of Gustine  
Ms. Sylvia Sanchez, Supervising Accountant, Merced County

**Attachment**

Approved RPTTF Distribution For the period of July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020			
	ROPS A Period	ROPS B Period	ROPS 19-20 Total
RPTTF Requested	\$ 91,272	\$ 0	\$ 91,272
Administrative RPTTF Requested	0	0	0
<b>Total RPTTF Requested</b>	<b>91,272</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>91,272</b>
RPTTF Authorized	91,272	0	91,272
Administrative RPTTF Authorized	0	0	0
<b>Total RPTTF Authorized for Obligations</b>	<b>91,272</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>91,272</b>
Prior Period Adjustment	0	0	0
<b>Total RPTTF Approved for Distribution</b>	<b>\$ 91,272</b>	<b>\$ 0</b>	<b>\$ 91,272</b>